



30 October 1958

SUBJECT: Contract No. A-102, Status of Work Orders

TO: Contracting Officer

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The attached letter has been received from [] and is forwarded to you with the request that expediting action be taken with Ramo-Wooldridge to correct a condition which has existed there since the inception of the T&M contract. Also inclosed is a detailed list of work orders under which the [] has returned equipment to R-W for repair as early as August 1957. Please note that ~~of~~ the majority of the items shipped back at that time and since then are still in the contractor's plant. The [] has made numerous efforts to improve the turn-around cycle, but no indication has been given [] as to when these items will be repaired and returned.

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The initial spares provisioning for support of Systems 1, 3, and 4, and the data reduction equipment was based on the concept of contractor repair. This cycle is ordinarily a maximum of three months and should decrease as a program progresses. In September of this year, the contractor was authorized to maintain a bonded spares stock; however, it is not yet possible to note any marked improvement in the repair cycle as a result of establishing this stock.

The problem above is presented for whatever action can be taken by Project Headquarters to improve this situation. Because of the excessive turn-around time, certain items are in critical supply, and procurement of additional spares quantities will be necessary unless the contractor can shorten this cycle considerably.

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1. Ltr, file nr. 3457 dtd 23 Oct 58
2. List of Work Orders undtd
3. Ltr, CMCC Doc. No. 151x5.955
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cc: WND